

Innovative bi-metal technology

Busbar systems with Cu/Al conductor



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Weight saving compared to pure copper systems



Easier handling due to lower weight



Resource-saving technology due to lower copper content



Cost-effective alternative to conventional copper systems

We focus on bringing powerful innovations to your switchgear – always looking for ways to make good things even better. The new busbar systems 24 kV 800 A and 1250 A Cu/Al and 36 kV 800 A Cu/Al have a copper-sheathed aluminium conductor. As a result, they are more resource friendly, lighter and cost-effective than conventional busbars made of pure copper. This strongly supports our claim to be the quality leader in the design-to-cost product segment.



The new busbar system from NKT consist of an aluminium core coated by a copper surface. This technology reduces the weight by over 50 % compared to a conventional copper conductor, which makes handling much easier.

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At a glance

Technical data of our Cu/Al busbar systems



	24 kV Cu/Al	36 kV Cu/Al
System voltage	up to 24 kV	up to 36 kV
Rated current	up to 1250 A	up to 630/800 A
Material of the bar	Copper-aluminium combination	Copper-aluminium combination
Insulation	Silicone insulation, shielded	Silicone insulation, shielded
Diameter of the conductor	35 mm (1250 A) 32 mm (630/800 A)	32 mm (630/800 A)
Identification	Different colours of silicone insulation for better identification of 630/800 A (dark grey) and 1250 A (light grey)	

Adapter sets for the 24/36 Cu/Al system from NKT

- Various end and cross adapter sets for 630/800 A and 1250 A applications available
- Full compatibility with NKT connectors, surge arresters and voltage transformer adapters
- Contact half-shell made of copper with silver coating for higher contact temperatures, tested in accordance with EN60694
- Same busbar lengths as Ø 32 Cu system

Direct coupling of cable connected



Direct coupling of surge arrester

